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## House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, March 31, 2008, at 2 p.m.

## Senate

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2008

(Legislative day of Thursday, March 13, 2008)

The Senate met at 12 and 2 seconds p.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the Honorable Patrick J. Leahy, a Senator from the State of Vermont.

## APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mr. BYRD).

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 18, 2008.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, section 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable Patrick J. Leahy, a Senator from the State of Vermont, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ROBERT C. BYRD,
President pro tempore.

Mr. LEAHY thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECESS UNTIL FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2008, AT 11 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands in recess until 11 a.m., on Friday, March 21, 2008.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 12 and 33 seconds p.m., recessed until Friday, March 21, 2008, at 11 a.m.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

